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- (b) separating the bound protein analyte on the ligand array from the non-binding components of the solution by physical separation, washing or both; and
- (c) interrogating the ligand-tethered substrate surface for protein analyte binding.

Applicant requests that the foregoing Amendment be entered prior to examination.

Respectfully submitted,



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